

Amendments to the Specification:

Please replace the paragraph beginning on page 5, line 17, with the following rewritten paragraph:

Card memory inserting opening 112 is used as an opening for inserting card memory when image data stored in the card memory, which is used for a device such as a digital camera, is transferred to image recorder 1. Card memory slot ~~122~~22 is provided within card memory inserting opening 112, as described later. There are plural types of card memory that are used in such a thing as a digital camera. A plurality of openings and slots are possible in order to correspond to plural types of card memory. Eject button 113 is provided adjacent to card memory inserting opening 112. Eject button 113 ejects the card memory inserted in card memory slot ~~12222~~. Display 110 displays broadcasting program information, the time of day, image recorder status such as "playing back" or "recording", and the remaining capacity of hard disk 16. USB connector 115 enables image recorder 1 to communicate with other device having a USB interface. IEEE connector 114 enables image recorder 1 to communicate with a device, such as a digital camera, having an IEEE interface.

Please replace the paragraph beginning on page 23, line 34, with the following rewritten paragraph:

Furthermore, when a plurality of digital cameras are connected to image recorder 1, and the number of the digital cameras exceeds the upper limit capable of recording and playing back simultaneously, recording and playing back of broadcasting program image data are made prior to reading of digital camera image data. Therefore, when a user instructs image recorder 1 to record broadcasting program image data while imager recorder 1 is reading the digital camera image data, the reading is stopped on the way, and recording of the broadcasting program image data is ~~started~~started. This allows image recorder 1 to avoid missing the broadcasting program image data. In this case, furthermore, when the reading of

the digital camera image data is stopped on the way, image recorder 1 automatically resumes recording the digital camera image data when the image recorder 1 becomes a state capable of restarting record of the digital camera image data, at such a time when the broadcasting program ends or recording of the broadcasting program is paused upon a CM time. Hence, it is not necessary to instruct image recorder 1 again to record the digital camera image data.

Please replace the paragraph beginning on page 37, line 23, with the following rewritten paragraph:

In step S106, digital camera 3 is directed to transmit new files, which are received and stored in the folder created in steps S154 and 105. Thus, the folder structure holding files in digital camera 3 will be ~~took~~taken over by image recorder 1 without destruction of the original folder structure, which is convenient for the user to search for the stored files. Further, in step S106, digital camera 3 is directed to inform the user of the status in the process of data transmission by means of LCD 3q of digital camera 3. In step S107, it is checked whether the data transmission from digital camera 3 to image recorder 1 is completed or not. If the completion of data transmission is detected, the flow is advanced to step S108. On the other hand, the flow returns to step S106 to continue the data transmission if the completion of data transmission is not detected. In step S108, digital camera 3 is directed to add to the header of the transmitted file therein the information indicating that the transmission of the file has been completed. In steps S121 and S122 in Fig. 21, the file will be deleted from digital camera 3 in dependence on the added information. The flow is to be advanced from step S108 to step S109. In step S109, it is checked whether files capable to be treated by image recorder 1 still remain to be transmitted in digital camera 3. If files remain to be transmitted, the flow is returned to step S102. On the other hand, the flow is advanced to step S116 in Fig. 21 if no file remains to be transmitted.